

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

There are only 563 veterans of the Mexican war of 1846-48 now living.

Germany is at her old trick of reporting Russia's loss and concealing her own.

The Panama Canal was reopened Saturday, 16 ships passing through the first day.

Jas. S. Jett, a former Kentuckian, celebrated his 97th birthday in St. Louis last week.

The Parral attack was not only unprovoked, but in treacherous audacity was un-Parral-leed, except by Villa's raid.

Argentine aviators are attempting to fly over the Andes at a point where the elevation is 20,000 feet, which would establish a new altitude record.

Forty per cent of all the coffee is consumed in this country. Last year 1,000,000,000 pounds were imported, ten pounds to every person in the United States.

Geo. W. Peck, former Governor of Wisconsin, and editor of Peck's Sun, at Milwaukee, died Sunday, aged 74 years. "Peck's Bad Boy" made him famous as a humorist.

The one thing that the Republicans are hoping to see the President do is to again haul down our unsaluted flag in Mexico before we catch Villa and read the riot act to Carranza, whose insolence is becoming unbearable.

Ludlow F. Petty, of Shelby county, who has been elected chairman of the Republican Committee of Kentucky, is an anti-Fairbanks man. The committee while in session decided that the dispute in this county over organization should be settled by the election of committeemen.

The good roads election in Todd county has been called for June 10, at which time a bond issue of \$190,000 will be voted on. Eight commissioners will be chosen and the funds will be divided equally between the north and south halves of the county, following the plan adopted in this county.

Gen. Pershing has at last reported that the attack on Americans at Parral was unprovoked. A few unarmed American soldiers were sent into town to buy supplies. They were fired upon and two killed. The survivors retreated to the camp outside, pursued by Mexicans, whose fire was returned and 40 killed.

In Berlin alone 900,000 women have taken the places of men in every line of manual labor. Many of them are required to wear bloomers, where skirts would be troublesome. In some of the trades they soon suffer in health, the women being unable to do the heavy work they have attempted.

If Carranza insists that we limit the extent of our pursuit of Villa and make the time spent in Mexico "reasonable," let's do it. Let the limit to the pursuit be the Pacific ocean and the length of occupancy be only as long as is necessary to catch Villa and the other bandits who have shed American blood.

Our editorial friend, Col. Loving W. Gaines, mayor of Trenton, has issued an eloquent proclamation for civic improvement, among other things calling upon the ladies to spend the day on their front porches "wearing a smile." The mayor is no doubt assuming that April 20 will be a warm day. If we should happen to have another snowstorm, a smile would not be enough to wear, Colonel.

SALVATION ARMY.

Will render another one of their delightful concerts in the Sunday School rooms of the First Christian church to-night at eight o'clock. Let everyone come. Besides the Songsters Brigade there will be solos by Miss Nell Espie and Elmer Gerard. Admission 25 cents.

CARRANZA CLAIMS HAS VILLA'S BODY

Is Disinterred After Having Been Buried For Two Weeks.

WILL THE SCHEME WORK

One of His Men Captured Alleged to Have Pointed Out the Grave.

El Paso, Tex., April 17.—Francisco Villa is dead and his body disinterred some days after his burial, is in possession of the Carranza troops, according to a series of telegraphic messages received in Juarez Sunday by the Mexican officials.

Only one message was received in Juarez giving details of the supposed finding of Villa's body. This message was unofficial. According to it Villa's death and burial were revealed by a former colonel of the bandit band who had been captured and was under sentence of death and agreed to disclose the grave for his life.

When the body was exhumed one leg was said to have been swollen to enormous size and to be in such a gangrenous condition that there was no doubt as to the cause of death.

One question which has been seriously discussed among Americans here is the possibility that a mistake may have been made in the identity of the body exhumed.

DIFFICULTY OF IDENTIFICATION

It was pointed out in the climate of northern Mexico decomposition sets in very rapidly and that positive identification of a body which had been buried some days, especially in the case of a man who had died from blood poisoning, would be very difficult. The doctors who treated Villa here, however, express confidence in their ability to identify his remains if they are brought to Juarez.

MEXICO CITY CONFIRMS.

Mexico City, April 17.—Villa's dead body has been dug up out of a two weeks' old grave by Carlos Carranza, nephew of Gen. Carranza, the first chief of the constitutionalists, and is now being brought by him and an escort of soldiers to the city of Chihuahua.

This information was contained in a telegram received by the war department late Sunday afternoon.

HENDERSON ELECTION

Action of Fiscal Court Will Defeat Bond Issue at Polls, Is Prediction.

Henderson, Ky., April 14.—Election notices were issued by Sheriff Trigg today summoning the election officers to hold the bond issue election on April 29 in all the thirty-one precincts of the city and county.

A petition has been presented to County Judge Young requesting that the election be called off, but Judge Young has discovered there is no law to recall an election, once it is ordered. It is considered positive that the bond issue will be defeated by an overwhelming majority, and citizens of the county who petitioned the judge to call the election now want to save the county the expense of the election, which will cost about \$500.

Because of the fact that the fiscal court refused to name a commission to handle the proceeds of the bond issue, many voters will cast their ballots against the issue.

Queer Accident.

A sudden gale in Baltimore struck a party of children roller-skating on the streets and blew one little girl under a passing auto and she was killed.

CLEAN-UP APRIL 25TH

City Wagons Will Be Under Supervision of the Civic League Committee.

HINTS FOR HOUSEKEEPERS

Dates For the Various Divisions of Town Are Announced.

The City Commission will donate the city wagons for the Clean-up days, beginning next week. The program for the week is as follows: Tuesday, April 25—West Side. Wednesday, April 26—North of Seventh and west of railroad.

Thursday, April 27—South of 7th and east of railroad.

Friday, April 28th—North of 7th and east of railroad.

Saturday, April 29—South of 7th and east of railroad.

Those who do not feel able to have their rubbish hauled off will please have same on nearest highway the day the wagons are in their locality, and it will be carried off free. Please join in making this the greatest clean-up and paint-up week we have ever had.

Here are some clean-up hints for householders:

Garbage—This is food waste only. Always keep it in a metal can with a tight cover. Do not let flies get into it.

Rubbish—This includes ashes, bottles, tin cans, junk and house sweepings. Always keep it in boxes or barrels of average size.

Waste Paper—This should be kept from rubbish. Always keep it dry. Put in burlap bags or tie it up in bundles. If kept in basement it should never be kept near the furnace nor under the stairs.

Vacant Lots—The owners of vacant lots are responsible for keeping them clean. Do not throw your rubbish or garbage in these lots. It is not good citizenship and is a menace to your health. Try to get them cleaned up and see if you can put in a garden.

Fire Dangers—Clear out all waste paper and rubbish of any kind in your attic or basement. Never block fire escapes, halls or stairways.

MRS. HILL QUITE ILL.

Mrs. J. D. Hill is quite ill at her home, the Hill House, on East Ninth street. She has been a great sufferer from rheumatism for several weeks and other complications have developed, causing her condition to become more serious. Mrs. N. S. West, who, with her husband, has been spending some time in Texas, has been informed of her mother's illness and she is expected home this week.

THOSE THAT HAVE-GET BY A.T. WESTON



THE VERDUN COST NOW 400,000 MEN

Gigantic Struggle Entering Ninth Week of Uninterrupted Battle.

TRENCHES FOR THE FORTS

No Real Breach Made in the French Lines to Date, Says Paris.

London, April 17.—Without diminishing in intensity, the battle of Verdun is entering into its ninth week. The Germans under the Crown Prince first launched their attack against the French front on February 21. The loss in killed and wounded on both sides as nearly as can be estimated has reached 400,000. The French in their defense have abandoned the old fortified positions for a maze of trenches, and against these the Germans have thrown assault upon assault. With an enormous outlay of men and ammunition the Germans have so far succeeded in taking about 100 square miles of territory, but as yet have not made any breach in or been able to pierce the French line.

Fort Douaumont, taken early in the offensive, and Bethincourt are the two most important positions the Germans have gained. The French evacuated Bethincourt.

An assault against German trenches in the region of Douaumont resulted successfully, according to Sunday's Paris War Office statement. Artillery duels prevailed along the rest of the front.

The British force made some gains after the explosion of two mines against the German trenches.

The Berlin statement contradicts the claim of the French at Douaumont and says that all the French attacks at that point were repulsed.

The Germans heavily bombarded French positions in the Avocourt wood and on Hill 304.

The Turkish Government admits that one of its submarines sank the Russian hospital ship Portugal in the Black Sea last month, when 113 persons were drowned. Turkey maintains that the commander and other officers of the submarines were justified in believing that the vessel was a transport.

REDS IN THE LEAD.

The Reds and the Blues had a record-breaking attendance at the Bible Class of the Christian church Sunday. The class had 217 present, the Reds leading by 15 points. The total attendance was 550.

CHRISTIAN ONE COUNTY

In Kentucky That Is Working Out The Standardization Problem.

IN POULTRY MATTERS

White Wyandottes Will Soon Be Sought as Christian County's Breed.

The work done in Christian county last week by Profs. A. S. Chapin and D. D. Slade representatives of the Federal and State Departments of Agriculture, co-operating with Mrs. Eloise Graves and County Agriculturist Casey was a work from which the county will derive much benefit not only in a material way but in an educational way.

The children of the county schools are showing unusual interest along the lines of pure-bred stock and this interest once started in children will also be manifested in other lines of farm animals. This is the aim of the Department which seeks to interest the children in the things on the farms, diverting their interests from the cities. Nearly every section of the county was visited and in every section the same interest was found among the school children. These men will return to the county in June and take up the work again.

Saturday Prof. Chapin was a visitor to the Kentuckian office and in speaking of this work said: "The only county in the United States that is standardizing its poultry interests through the Boys' and Girls' Clubs and the County Agent is Christian. Washington has instructed me to give all necessary help to the plans, for they are deeply interested in the reports I have made about the work." Continuing he said: "The state department in charge of adult work, is equally interested and Prof. Slade, in charge of this work under this department is doing all in his power for Christian county. When we meet here in June our time will be spent on the farms where White Wyandotte chickens are being raised."

Prof. Chapin is thoroughly in love with Christian county and says that he has never come in contact with a people who are so much interested in each other's work, especially the town people being interested in the doings of the country people. He is delighted with the material assistance being given by the town people and says that the result will be that Christian county will soon become famous not only as a market for standard bred White Wyandotte chickens and eggs in almost any quantity, but also as an example of what unity of purpose means in the way of financial return to the people generally.

Already, dealers in poultry, are offering to pay a premium for poultry and eggs of standard variety, color and size and the Kentuckian predicts that the Christian county product will be in demand by eastern dealers and consumers.

BOARD OF CONTROL

Held First Meeting Since Changes In Personnel.

The State Board of Control held a meeting Saturday at the Western State Hospital. Robt. A. Cook was able to leave the Hospital and attended for the first time. Mr. Figg, the other new member, is ill at his home and was not here.

Chairman Garrett S. Wall and J. Norton Fitch were the other members present, with Secretary Geo. C. Caywood.

The members spent the day at the hospital but only routine matters of business and the examination of the buildings and grounds received attention.

Cleveland is wiping out its segregated district.

MEXICANS MADE ATTACK IN PARRAL

Two Americans and 40 Mexicans Killed in the Clash.

RETREATED FOR 8 MILES

Little Band of 100 Reset by 300 Carranza Regulators.

San Antonio, April 17.—It was a force of Carranza men who engaged the little detachment of American cavalry at Parral Wednesday in a regular organized action, according to detailed reports written by Major Frank Tompkins and forwarded to Gen. Funston by Gen. Pershing.

Forty of the Mexican soldiers, including one major and one civilian, were killed by retreating Americans. The American casualties were two killed and six wounded, including Maj. Tompkins. His wound was slight.

Maj. Tompkins' account of the action was received at Gen. Funston's headquarters tonight and served to clarify Gen. Pershing's report received yesterday in which the identity of the attacking force was not stated and in which he left the inference that the cavalry was under Col. W. C. Brown.

The Americans are now north and west of Parral, reinforced by a squadron of the tenth under Maj. Young, accompanied by Col. W. C. Brown and a picked squadron under Maj. Robert L. Howze. Fear for their safety has been dispelled by this report and by dispositions of troops that Gen. Pershing has ordered but the character of which Gen. Funston did not wish to reveal.

Maj. Tompkins' story of the fight indicates lack of control over the troops by the commanding officer of the Parral garrison, Gen. Lozano, and bitter antagonism by the public and troops. The fighting took place outside of Parral and was continued over a route of eight miles.

FUNSTON REGRETS RETREAT

Gen. Funston said tonight that while Maj. Tompkins undoubtedly acted in accordance with his best judgment in retreating, he regretted that he had not made a stand on account of the ill effect the story of his retreat would have on the Mexican people.

Maj. Tompkins arrived outside Parral on the forenoon of April 12 with about 100 men of troops M and K of the Thirteenth cavalry. He marched his small detachment quite openly along the trail into the city, where they were met by Gen. Lozano and civil authorities, who received them most graciously.

Maj. Tompkins entered the town upon the invitation of an officer of the Parral garrison. He stated that the officer met him ten miles from Parral, introduced himself and urged him to accept the hospitality of the civil authorities. This fact coupled with Maj. Tompkins' report of the subsequent attack, caused officers here to express the opinion that he and his men had been led into a trap, although perhaps not with the knowledge of Gen. Lozano, commanding officer.

ROGERS-REYNOLDS.

A marriage license was issued early yesterday morning to W. P. Roger and Miss Norine Reynolds, a young couple from Canmer, Hart county. The wedding was scheduled to take place yesterday at Pembroke and Rev. H. H. Jones, of the Pembroke M. E. church, was to perform the ceremony.

Honolulu dish called poi is a fermented paste made from roots of